

SUMMER SPORT SHEET

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M'LOUGHLIN NOT TO PLAY TENNIS AT SOUTHAMPTON

Southampton, N. Y., Aug. 23.—There was less regret at the Meadow club yesterday when the announcement was made that Maurice E. McLaughlin would not compete in the tennis tournament. After having assured the committee in charge of the event yesterday that he would positively appear for play he telephoned early this morning of a change of heart. He said that he needed practice in preparation for the national championship tournament next week, and that he wished to try out his strokes at Forest Hills, which will be the scene of the title play.

The withdrawal of McLaughlin takes from the tournament its most interesting figure, for there was a desire on the part of everyone to see the former champion in action. Insofar as the condition of McLaughlin is concerned, the default in this tournament for the reason of additional practice is not considered as reassuring testimony of his ability to round out his once formidable playing form. Unfortunately many of the leading players among the entrants are now out of the tournament by reason of default, an unusual condition for an event which has always figured so prominently on the eve of the national championships. William M. Johnston, the national singles champion, determined that he would not play in singles, and Ichio Kumasawa, who after his victory over Johnston, was a leading figure, also dropped out by way of a default.

CULLOP'S GREAT RECORD IS FEATURE OF YORK'S DRIVE FOR FIRST PLACE

New York, Aug. 23.—Considerable speculation has arisen over Cullop's victories and defeats. Unofficially it has been supposed he lost two games, but official scores give him only one defeat. His record:

April 29, defeated Philadelphia, 4 to 1.
May 11, defeated Chicago, 3 to 1.
May 21, defeated St. Louis, 7 to 5.
May 21, defeated Philadelphia, 8 to 7.
June 5, defeated Chicago, 3 to 2.
June 12, defeated Detroit, 4 to 2.
June 14, defeated Cleveland, 19 to 2.
June 23, defeated Washington, 6 to 1.
July 4, defeated Chicago, 4 to 3.
July 11, defeated Cleveland, 8 to 1.
July 14, lost to Detroit, 6 to 2.
August 6, defeated Chicago, 3 to 2.
August 14, defeated Philadelphia, 4 to 1.
August 21, defeated Chicago, 6 to 2.

BASEBALL BITS

Joe Judge again is in shape to play first base for the Washingtons. At this time, Griffith has missed Chick Gandil this year.

The Red Sox, if they win the pennant, will have to play great ball on the last Western trip.

Mullen's batting has made him a big favorite with the fans in Harlem. He has improved remarkably.

The minor leagues are hanging on well. There have been few explosions so far.

Heinie Groh is playing a fast game at second base as he did at third and many critics agreed that Heinie was the best third baseman in the National League last season.

The Cleveland club has played to more than 400,000 fans on their home grounds this season. The Indians are sure to be one of the big money makers of the year, both at home and on the road.

Walter Pipp is now listed among the top leading sluggers in the American League. Though he is batting only at a .250 clip the long drives of the New York first baseman give him a grand batting average of .385.

Allen Russell and Ferdie Schupp will never be played in the outfield because of their heavy hitting. Each has made one hit this season, but each has not had as many chances as Russell. The latter has a batting average of .073.

Frank Gilhooley has discarded his crutches and is now able to use the foot which he injured at Washington on July 3. Gilhooley expects to join the Yankees next Sunday when they go to Cleveland for a game. This contest is being advanced from later in the season.

Jack Coombs' one hit game against the Cubs on Sunday was cheering news for the stay at home in Brooklyn. Iron Jack used a fast ball, too.

The Tigers have been climbing at the expense of the Washingtons and Mackmen. But they'll find the going different when they tackle the Yankees and the Red Sox.

Frank Chance is doing so well with his Los Angeles team that it will not be surprising if Owner Wagoner asks the Peerless leader to come back to the Cubs next year. Chance would be royally welcomed in the Windy City, but he probably prefers to remain on the coast.

Donovan still insists that he has the best pitching staff in the American League. The test will come when the Yankees hook up with the Red Sox on September 1.

Secretary of War Baker advised the Board of Army Engineers to take up the problem of changing the anchorage area of munition ships around New York.

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CHICAGO EXPERTS SAY CATCHER RAY SCHALK IS MOST VALUABLE PLAYER IN AMERICAN LEAGUE



Chicago, Aug. 23.—"Who is the most valuable player to his club in the American league?" asks a local baseball expert. Most fans in Detroit would pick Ty Cobb. Many in Cleveland will contend Tris Speaker deserves the prize. Many may be found in every city in the circuit who would single out Ray Schalk of the Chicago White Sox as the player deserving this honor. For all around play Schalk undoubtedly has no equal among the backstops of the American and probably the National league. It is one characteristic that marks him as a leader in his department. Whistling, dancing, aggressive, just a little better than his rivals. President Comiskey couldn't afford to trade Schalk for Speaker or Cobb, and this leads to an astounding fact in this young Schalk at the paltry waiver price of \$1,500 his owner could have signed him to the amount of \$12,500 for Schalk's release in 1912.

AUSTRALIA WANTS VISIT FROM JACK DILLON AND GIBBONS

New York, Aug. 23.—Australia wants both Mike Gibbons and Jack Dillon to visit that country, principally to meet Les Darcy, but also to face each other if possible. There seems to be little chance of this match. It is very evident that Gibbons does not want any part of Dillon's game, judging by the prohibitive demand when approached by a St. Paul promoter recently. It is not likely that the St. Paul man is any more anxious to tackle Darcy, who apparently is just about as dangerous as the giant killer.

According to Harry Stone, who now is in Australia, sporting men of that country are greatly interested in Dillon since hearing of his victory over Frank Moran. Until that affair they had rated Gibbons as the best middleweight. Darcy is said to be willing to allow Dillon to come in at a reasonable weight, instead of insisting upon the middleweight limit. In fact Australians believe that it will not be long before Dillon and Darcy are fighting it out for the heavyweight championship of the world.

They hold Jess Willard in but little regard in Australia, refusing to take his victory over Jack Johnson seriously. They look upon him as the best of a very poor lot rather than as an invincible champion. Both in Australia and England the heavies are much inferior to the lighter men and Darcy has beaten the heavies so easily that Willard's size does not impress Australians to any great extent.

In the opinion of the Australian cricketers Dillon's victory over Moran was just as good a performance as that of Willard and Dillon is the equal of the champion. For that reason a Dillon-Darcy battle would be a tremendous card in Australia despite the war.

ABOUT 375 GOLFERS ELIGIBLE TO PLAY IN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS

New York, Aug. 23.—Since the list of golfers eligible to compete in the national amateur championship was issued in the spring by the United States Golf Association about 40 names have been added. There are now about 375 golfers eligible to play at Merion the week after next.

A number of metropolitan golfers are among the newcomers on the list, and also several Philadelphians who evidently want to play in the championship now that it has been sent to their district. Perry Adair and his father, George W. Adair, of Atlanta are among those who have been added and if they come to Merion, as they probably will, their work, especially that of the youngsters, will be followed with keen interest.

The body of Elmer Rittenbender, fireman of a fast freight, was found impaled on a picket fence at Mountain Lakes, N. J., where he had fallen from his post of duty.

YANKS GET THIRD PLACE BY BEATING WHITE SOX SQUAD

New York, Aug. 23.—The Yankees are in third place. No longer ago than yesterday morning they occupied sixth position, but they defeated the White Sox at the Polo Grounds by a score of 7 to 6 and hurled the three teams directly ahead of them. This was made possible by Boston's victory over Cleveland. Detroit's defeat at the hands of Joe Bush and the Athletics and the no-decision contest played in fourteen innings between St. Louis and Washington. The Browns and Tigers are now tied for fourth and fifth places, while the Cleveland Indians drop to sixth.

Donovan's warriors are now just a game and a half behind the White Sox and six full games back of Boston. This is far from an insurmountable lead at this point in the race. If the Yankees can hold Boston even until the two teams meet they will at least have a chance for the flag.

Yesterday's was a spectacular contest. The Yanks lit on their old hoodoo, Eddie Cicotte, and drove him from the mound. They also did fairly well by Claude Williams, the young southpaw Chicago secured from Salt Lake.

Shawkey twirled fine ball up to the sixth inning, when the heat appeared to get him and he weakened. He received diamond backed support. Peckinpaugh made a couple of astounding hits, but we are coming to expect these from Rodger, who is the best shortstop in the big leagues today.

Charley Mullen, however, was the real star of the game. He not only drove in what proved to be the winning run, but he played second base in a manner to make Eddie Collins look to his laurels. His splendid catch of Shawkey's wild throw, which forced Weaver at second in the eighth inning, probably saved the game, and his other one-handed capture of McLaughlin's short fly in the ninth may have saved it again. Here is a player that the Yankees actually started for the minors and recalled only on account of injuries to other players, and he has since then won at least five games for them.

OZANAMS TO PRACTICE AT SEASIDE TONIGHT

The final baseball practice will be held this evening at 6 p. m. on No. 1 diamond at Seaside park. All the regulars are requested to report as well as any new recruits.

GIANTS AGAIN ARE BLANKED AND JOHN M'GRAW IS RAVING

St. Louis, Aug. 23.—The harried Giants tripped over another shutout yesterday. Their moribund condition at the bat failed to yield to Dr. McGraw's treatment, and they were beaten by the Cardinals, 6 to 0. Their scoreless period dates back to the first act of their eleven-inning production in Chicago last Saturday, and extends over 37 innings. They did not get a run here in three games, and since leaving home have lost five games, won one, and then lost five more.

The players are at their wits' ends to know what ails them. They know they're not hitting—both Doyle and Robertson are mere shadows of their former batting selves, with others keeping them company—but why this affliction has been visited upon them they cannot explain.

They haven't given up pennant hopes yet, though their prospects are microscopically small, and yesterday morning they got together in their hotel and tried to diagnose the case. They did this without any orders from McGraw. They did it because they are making an earnest effort to get back into a real stride.

They went out on the field determined enough, and did not stop hustling from first to last, but nevertheless they made another feeble showing with the bat. They were outplayed by a wide margin. They could not break away from the batting slump. They could not command the physical ability to hit. Poll Pott was battered by the Cardinals, whereas the Giants did no bettering.

MULRENNAN'S FINE PITCHING IS WASTED

(Special to The Farmer.)
Lynn, Aug. 23.—Oscar Tuero, the Cuban pitcher, who likes to sing ballads when he isn't on the mound, handed Bridgeport a blank in the baseball lottery yesterday. Lynn got only one run, but that was enough to capture the laurel. Tuero held Bridgeport to four hits and fanned seven.

Without Baker the Hustlers have lost their punch and can't get the hits with men on bases. Manager Healy sent Jake Warner to third where he did well but Pat Duggan had a bad time at second. Mobler was not a stirring success in right field, either. It was too bad Mulrennan could not have won, considering the fine brand of ball he pitched. He held the hard hitting Lynn crew to six blows and although he was as generous as usual with passes he held the enemy down when the sacks were popped.

It was an error by Duggan, playing a strange position, that proved fatal. Until the seventh neither side had scored. Then with two out Duggan fumbled Griev's grounder. Tuero came along with a single and Gleason's double sent the winning run over. The score:

	ab.	r.	h.	po.	a.	e.
Blake, lf.	4	0	1	0	0	0
Duggan, 2b.	4	0	2	0	2	0
Delinger, 1b.	4	0	0	1	0	0
Warner, 3b.	3	0	1	1	0	0
Briggs, cf.	3	0	2	0	0	0
Moshier, rf.	2	0	0	3	0	1
Horkheimer, ss.	3	1	7	6	0	0
Flaherty, c.	3	0	3	2	0	0
Griev, ss.	3	0	1	2	0	0
Mulrennan, p.	3	0	0	1	2	0
Totals.	28	0	4	23	12	3

	ab.	r.	h.	po.	a.	e.
Gleason, 2b.	4	0	2	1	3	0
Daley, rf.	3	0	1	2	0	0
Orcutt, cf.	3	0	0	3	0	0
Denoville, 1b.	3	0	0	10	0	0
Carroll, c.	4	0	1	5	5	0
Porter, lf.	4	0	1	3	0	0
Frysock, 3b.	3	0	0	1	0	0
Griev, ss.	1	1	0	3	0	0
Tuero, p.	2	0	1	0	0	0
Totals.	27	1	6	27	12	0

Bridgeport, 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
Lynn, 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 x—1

Summary—Two base hit, Gleason. Stolen base, Denoville. Porter, Duggan. Sacrifice hit, Daley. Double play, Mulrennan. Denoville and Horkheimer. Left on bases, Bridgeport 3. Lynn 5. Bases on balls, off Mulrennan 5, off Tuero 1. Hit by pitched ball, by Tuero 1. Struck out, by Mulrennan 3, by Tuero 7. Umpire, Stafford. Time, 1:34.

FAT MEN'S RACE TO FURNISH LAUGH AT COPS' OUTING

The fat men's race is expected to provide lots of comedy at the outing to be held at Pleasure Beach next Saturday, for the Police Sick Benefit fund. This event will be only 50 years for when a man with a large bay window trundles that distance he thinks he has galloped to New York. Mike Quilly and Ike Williams of the local department are entered for the race and they expect to finish in front of other rotund gentlemen who have entered from different city departments.

The boxing and wrestling contests for the state police championships will prove exciting and there will be a long athletic program for the entertainment of the crowd. In addition there is the baseball game between the East Bridgeport and West Side cops.

The committee has provided a fine display of fireworks for the evening. Tickets for Saturday's outing give bearer transportation to the island as well as admission to athletic events. The tickets have been selling so rapidly that a large crowd is assured.

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RED SOX GOING FINE.

While the western clubs are stumbling along on the eastern trail the Red Sox are riding at a steady gait. They have a lead of 40 points over their nearest competitor, Chicago, today, and it is reasonable to suppose they will increase this by ten points at least before they leave on the final western trip.

The Red Sox pitchers are hurling with their usual deadly accuracy and the defense is as strong as ever. Although Carrigan's men are generally supposed to be weak hitters a look at the averages will show most of the regulars batting over .250. Two or three runs is generally enough to give the Red Sox a victory. The failure of the western clubs to hold their own in the east makes it look as if the Boston boys will breeze through for the American league flag unless they go completely to pieces on their western jaunt.

At the grand circuit trotting races at Cleveland yesterday Lee Axworthy made an exhibition mile in 2:00 1-4, breaking the world's records for stallions by three quarters of a second.

Pitcher Turner, who was released by Bridgeport last week, has been canned by Newark. He was used against Toronto last Sunday and knocked out in the sixth. Turner has gone to Augusta of the Maine league for the rest of the season.

Mulrennan pitched his best game in weeks at Lynn yesterday but couldn't win because the Bridgeport players were helpless at the bat. Although Mulrennan's record of victories and defeats doesn't look very impressive

Hooper of the Red Sox

Although the Red Sox outer garden, minus Tristram the Great, is not what it used to be, there are still to be found cowering in that pasture some gentlemen of sterling merit. Not the least distinguished of these is Harry Hooper, who is now serving his eighth season in Boston confinement. Hooper will begin his thirtieth year tomorrow, his natal day having been Aug. 24, 1887, and the place of his mundane dash is San Clara, Calif.

As a schoolboy and later as a college student in his native town, Hooper developed into quite a classy twirler. When he turned professional in 1907, reporting to the Oakland club of the California State League, Harry expected to be assigned to slab duty. He did figure as a hurler in four games, but was soon turned over to Sacramento, where he was given an outfield job. In 1908 he batted .344 for Sacramento, and displayed such ability in ground covering and base running that he began to attract attention in the upper circles of ball-dom. On one of his trips to California, John I. Taylor, president of the Boston Americans, saw Hooper in action and decided that he was worthy of a trial in the big show.

Hooper reported to the Red Sox in the spring of 1909, and he has been with the club ever since. He batted .282 his first season, and in 1911 his average was .311. Since then his stick work has been under the .300 mark, and last season it was only .235. His fielding ability, his speed, and, most of all, his willingness to work and play the game for all there is in it, make him a valuable man. Hooper enjoys a great popularity with the Boston fans, who admire his earnest, willing

he has twirled some very fine games which were lost by small scores.

When they get home Friday the Hustlers will try to shake off their losing streak. Shanty House or Russell will get the assignment against Lawrence. It will be the first appearance of the Lawrence club here since Jack O'Hara took charge. Ladies will be admitted free to the game.

Larry F. Cheney, the pitcher turned loose by the Cubs last season and grabbed by Brooklyn, has been a good investment for the Dodgers. He won his seventh straight victory yesterday.

It is a safe bet that Bill Donovan is shaking hands with him at least because he didn't send Charley Mullen to the minors this spring. Mullen has been giving second base a great play and yesterday his wonderful fielding in the last two innings saved the game for the Yankees against the White Sox. A New York writer has figured out that Mullen by his pinch hitting and fielding has saved five contests for the Yankees this season.

Bud Weiser, the hard hitting New London outfielder, in indignation at reports that he jumped the club, missed the train last Friday and did not play in New Haven but is back with McCann's club again.

The boxing promoters are getting ready for the coming campaign. It is said the Black Rock club will conduct a show next month at Dan Hatfield and George Efford have permits for October and November shows and Terry Lee has been granted a December permit. It looks like a big season for the mitt artists.

ANNIVERSARIES OF RING BATTLES

1880—William Thompson, known to pugilistic history as Bendigo, died at Nottingham, Eng. One of the hardest drinkers and toughest characters the ring ever had, Bendigo reformed in his latter years and became an evangelist. Bendigo won the British title from Drat Burke and held it several years, finally retiring from the ring in 1850. For years thereafter "Bendigo" spent most of his time in jail for disturbances of the peace. One of his favorite stunts when in his cups was to enter a butcher's shop or green-grocer's establishment, and pelt the owner, clerks and customers with vegetables or pieces of meat. After Bendigo had finished such a visit the shop usually looked as if it had been swept by a cyclone. He was serving his 25th term in jail when he was converted by the prison chaplain and turned preacher. His quaint and novel method of expressing himself made him popular, and he was the Billy Sunday of his day. The only American pugilist to turn parson, so far as the writer knows, was Ben Hogan, who did his fighting in the '70s.

An award of \$12,100 prize bounty was made to the officers and crews of a squadron of Vice-Admiral Sir Frederick Sturdee, which destroyed the German Pacific squadron in the battle off the Falkland Islands in December 1914.

BRAVES OFFERING FOUR PLAYERS TO GET ZIMMERMAN

Chicago, Aug. 23.—Rumors of disension in the Boston National league baseball team were given credence here yesterday when it became known that George Stallings came into town from Cincinnati, where the Braves are playing the Reds. Stallings made a brief stay here but will be back Thursday, when the Braves open with the Cubs.

From a reliable source it has been learned that Stallings plans to rid his club of certain players. Stallings offered to trade four Brave players to Chicago for Heinie Zimmerman. The transaction still is pending. Red Smith, Eddie Fitzpatrick, Edgar Collins and Jesse Barnes were the Boston players offered for Zimmerman, and it would not be surprising to see Heinie leave with the Braves on Saturday, when the series will have been ended.

FRED FULTON TO START SEASON BY PICKING ON FLYNN

Big Fred Fulton plans to open another campaign after several months of idleness by taking on his old enemy, Porky Flynn, at Minneapolis on September 1. Once before Fulton selected Flynn as an easy mark, but he made a very poor guess. Last year, when he was trying to convince ring followers that he was deserving of a match for the title, Fulton took on the Boston veteran at New Orleans before Tommy Burns' club. Burns, who was anxious to stage a Willard-Fulton match, refereed the bout, and he made a present of the decision to Fulton. It was of no avail, however, for Fulton made such a poor showing that the promoters took fright and dared not brave public opinion by going ahead with the Willard match. Fulton sought to explain his poor showing by saying that he was ill and in no condition to fight. Little attention was paid to this, however, because there was no particular reason why he should endanger his future and flimflam the spectators by enacting in a bout if he were in good

Since that affair it is possible that Fulton has improved somewhat, although he has done little fighting. If he has, the match with Flynn should show just how far he has advanced. In his one local appearance Fulton failed to make a good impression, although he managed to make the faint hearted Al Reich hoist the white flag after poking him in the face for nine rounds with a straight left. That straight left was all Fulton seemed to have in stock, however, and he made a great trick to land it on the unresisting Reich, who humbly and passively stood and took the blows without making the slightest effort to return them. It was too much like punching a dummy to be a test of Fulton's ability and the bout proved nothing except that Fulton's right hand is harmless.

Southern Association

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.
At Nashville..... R. H. E.
Nashville..... 3 6 1
New Orleans..... 1 7 2
At Chattanooga..... R. H. E.
Chattanooga..... 7 8 1
Mobile..... 1 5 4
At Little Rock..... R. H. E.
Little Rock..... 3 7 1
Little Rock..... 4 6 2
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